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Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Bozorgmehr Ziaran (Iran, Islamic Republic of)

International code of conduct on the transfer of technology

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 45/204 of 21 December 1990 on an international code of conduct on the transfer of technology,

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on the consultations carried out in 1991 on an international code of conduct on the transfer of technology; 1/

2. Decides to transmit that report to the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its eighth session;

3. Requests the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to report to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session on the outcome of the Conference's consideration of the report at its eighth session.

1/ A/46/564, annex.

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DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION: ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Ioan Barac (Romania), on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/46/L.32

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Southern African Development Coordination Conference

The General Assembly,

Affirming its resolutions 37/248 of 21 December 1982, 38/160 of 19 December 1983, 39/215 of 18 December 1984, 40/195 of 17 December 1985, 42/181 of 11 December 1987 and 44/221 of 22 December 1989, in which it, inter alia, requested the Secretary-General to promote cooperation between the organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system and the Southern African Development Coordination Conference, and urged intensification of contacts in order to accelerate the achievement of the objectives of the Lusaka Declaration of 1 April 1980, by which the Conference was established, 1/

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on cooperation between the United Nations and the Conference, 2/

1/ See A/38/493, annex I.

2/ A/46/481.

Noting the efforts made by the Conference in implementing its Programme of Action, 3/

Reaffirming its recognition that successful implementation of its development programmes can be achieved only if the Conference has adequate resources at its disposal,

Welcoming Namibia's membership in the Conference, which brings added impetus for expanding and intensifying economic cooperation in southern Africa,

Noting that the effects of war, loss of life and destruction of economic and social infrastructures in southern Africa demand the continuation and strengthening of rehabilitation programmes to regenerate the economies of the independent countries of the region,

Recognizing the positive developments in South Africa, including prospects for the start of negotiations on a democratic non-racial constitution,

Deeply concerned about the current violence in South Africa, resulting from actions of forces opposed to democratic transformation,

Welcoming the signing of the National Peace Accord on 14 September 1991 in South Africa, whose effective implementation should strengthen prospects for peace in the entire southern African region,

Noting the progress made by some organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system in working out mechanisms for formulating and executing cooperation with the Conference,

1. Urges Member States, international organizations and other relevant institutions to study the report of the South Commission 4/ with a view to putting into effect its recommendations, as appropriate;

2. Invites the United Nations Development Programme to provide support for the distribution of the report of the South Commission in the developing countries, in particular in the least developed countries, in order to enhance economic and technical cooperation among them;

3. Calls upon the Member States and organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system that have not yet established contact and relationships with the Conference to explore the possibility of doing so;

4. Invites the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the United Nations Development Programme and the regional commissions to follow,

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3/ See A/42/452, sect. II.

4/ The Challenge to the South, The Report of the South Commission (New York, Oxford University Press, 1990).

within their respective spheres of competence, the implementation of the recommendations of the report of the South Commission by the parties concerned, as appropriate;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to keep in view the implementation of the present resolution, and to report thereon, as appropriate, to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session;

6. Renews its appeal to the international community to increase its financial, technical and material support for the Conference in order to enable it to implement fully its expanded Programme of Action, which currently includes the sectors of marine fisheries and resources, and information and culture, and to meet the needs of reconstruction and rehabilitation;

7. Appeals to the international community and relevant organizations of the United Nations system to extend appropriate assistance to the Conference to enable it to advance the process of regional economic integration, including eventual participation of a democratic, non-racial South Africa;

8. Calls upon the South African authorities and all parties in a position to do so to redouble efforts to end the violence;

9. Welcomes the peace agreements in Angola and the peace process in Mozambique, and calls upon the international community to encourage and support those developments;

10. Appeals to the international community to extend assistance for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of the economies of Angola and Mozambique;

11. Further appeals to the international community urgently to extend assistance to the newly independent nation of Namibia to enable it to implement its national development programme;

12. Invites the donor community and other cooperating partners to participate at a high level in the Annual Consultative Conference of the Southern African Development Coordination Conference, to be held at Maputo from 29 to 31 January 1992;

13. Requests the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Executive Secretary of the Southern African Development Coordination Conference, to continue to intensify contacts aimed at promoting and harmonizing cooperation between the United Nations and the Conference;

14. Further requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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SPECIAL ECONOMIC AND DISASTER RELIEF ASSISTANCE: SPECIAL PROGRAMMES OF ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE

Algeria, Jordan, Yemen: draft resolution

Emergency assistance to Yemen

The General Assembly,

Concerned about the earthquake which struck Yemen on 22 November 1991, and also about the cyclone of 25 November 1991,

Expressing grave anxiety over the serious consequences of these natural disasters and, above all, over the plight of the thousands of persons rendered homeless, in addition to the material damage caused, despite the efforts undertaken at the national level,

Calls upon Member States, the organizations of the United Nations and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to extend emergency assistance to Yemen to enable it to deal with these disasters.

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Environment and international trade

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 45/210 of 21 December 1990 on environment and international trade,

Welcoming Trade and Development Board resolution 393 (XXXVIII) of 4 October 1991 on the contribution of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, within its mandate, to sustainable development, in which the Board, inter alia, reaffirmed the importance of an integrated perspective of environment and development in order to tackle successfully the root causes of underdevelopment and environmental degradation and achieve the objective of sustainable development in all countries,

1. Welcomes the efforts of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to increasingly integrate the concept of sustainable development in its ongoing work, and encourages the Secretary-General of United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to pursue that process;

2. Stresses the importance of the contribution of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, within its mandate, to the preparatory process for the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development and the follow-up to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development;

3. Invites the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to take the necessary action to pursue and expedite, where appropriate, the studies and other work requested in paragraph 7 of Trade and Development Board resolution 393 (XXXVIII), taking into account what is being done by the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development in this area, so that they may in addition contribute effectively, within the mandate of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, to the preparatory process for the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development and its follow-up.

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Trade and Development Board

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1995 (XIX) of 30 December 1964, as amended, 1/ on the establishment of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the Final Act adopted by the Conference at its seventh session, held at Geneva from 9 July to 3 August 1987, 2/ and the Declaration on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, contained in Trade and Development Board resolution 376 (XXXVI) of 13 October 1989, 3/ as endorsed by the General Assembly in resolution 44/19 of 14 November 1989,

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1/ See resolutions 2904 (XXVII), 31/2 A and B and 34/3.

2/ See Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Seventh Session, vol. I, Report and Annexes (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.88.II.D.1), part one, sect. A.1.

3/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/44/15), vol. II, sect. II.A.

Recalling also its resolution 45/203 of 21 December 1990 on the report of the Trade and Development Board,

Considering that the eighth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, to be held in Colombia in 1992, provides, with its development-oriented agenda, a timely opportunity to advance the dialogue on major development issues, taking into account the global political, economic and technological changes of the recent past,

Considering Trade and Development Board resolution 396 (XXXVIII) of 4 October 1991 on the debt and development problems of developing countries 4/ as part of the continuing contribution of the Board to the search for a durable solution to the problems of the external indebtedness of developing countries, as well as to the substantive preparations for the eighth session of the Conference,

Reiterating that the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations should result in a substantial and balanced outcome in all areas involved, including areas of particular importance to developing countries,

Noting that the Trade and Development Report, 1991, 5/ constitutes a valuable contribution to the debate on the interdependence of the problems of trade, development finance and the international monetary system, as well as to the understanding of the issues examined within the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations,

1. Takes note of the report of the Trade and Development Board on the second part of its thirty-seventh session and the first part of its thirty-eighth session 6/ and urges all member States to give effect to the provisions of the resolutions and decisions adopted by the Board;

2. Notes with appreciation the contribution made by the Trade and Development Board to the understanding of the interdependence of problems of trade, development finance and the international monetary system, taking into account the needs of developing countries;

3. Reaffirms the need for all countries to fulfil their responsibilities in strengthening the rules and disciplines of the multilateral trading system for the benefit of all countries and, to this end,

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4/ Ibid., Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/46/15), vol. II, sect. II.A.

5/ United Nations publication, Sales No. E.91.II.D.15.

6/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/46/15), vols. I and II.

urges all participants in the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations to adopt a constructive and comprehensive approach thereto in order to achieve a successful and balanced outcome in accordance with the Ministerial Declaration on the Uruguay Round; 7/

4. Reiterates its invitation to the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, at its eighth session, to assess the outcome of the Uruguay Round, in particular in areas of interest or concern to developing countries;

5. Welcomes Trade and Development Board resolution 394 (XXXVIII) of 4 October 1991 8/ on economic cooperation among developing countries and problems of trade and trade financing as a further step in the implementation of the Caracas Programme of Action, 9/ stresses the need for continued support by the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to the process of economic cooperation among developing countries through studies, extension of expertise and technical assistance and, in this connection, invites the United Nations Development Programme and other funding institutions to continue to provide financial support to this process;

6. Also welcomes the progress achieved so far in the substantive preparations for the eighth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;

7. Stresses the crucial importance of the eighth session of the Conference in advancing the development dialogue and in giving new impetus to multilateral economic cooperation, and affirms the need to achieve at that session a positive, action-oriented outcome in the interrelated areas of trade, resources for development, technology, commodities and services, which, in particular, will be instrumental to the revitalization of the development process of the developing countries, will strengthen further the impact of the work of the Conference on national and international policy-making and will contribute to the implementation of the commitments and policies contained in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries. 10/

7/ See GATT, Focus Newsletter, No. 41, October 1986.

8/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/46/15), vol. II, sect. II.A.

9/ A/36/333 and Corr.1, annex.

10/ Resolution S-18/3, annex.